

**LEDUC ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY BOARD
REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY, JANUARY 14, 2025
TELFORD STREET BOARDROOM, CIVIC CENTER
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REGULAR MINUTES Minutes of the LEDUC ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY BOARD Regular Meeting held Tuesday, January 14, 2025 Telford Street Boardroom, Civic Center.

PRESENT: Wendy Yule
Mindy Paradis
Councilor Ryan Pollard
Councilor Lars Hansen
Ngaire Nix
Benjamin McDonald
James Kollmar
James Turner

WITH REGRETS: Michael Hancharyk – City Representative
Alena Mazur

ALSO PRESENT: Cheri Andres – Recording Secretary
Megan Bayley – City Representative

CALL TO ORDER

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mindy called the meeting to order and gave the Land Acknowledgement at 6:11 p.m.

Wendy will give Land Acknowledgment at February Meeting.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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1/2025

MOTION: It was Moved by Wendy to approve the January 14, 2025, Agenda.

MOTION CARRIED

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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2/2025

MOTION: It was Moved by Ngaire to accept the meeting minutes of December 10, 2024, as circulated.

MOTION CARRIED

REPORTS

- **Chair's Report**
- Items were purchased for city wide events
- Public Open House for Urban Centre Redevelopment Plan (UCRP) is January 22, 2025, from 5-9 pm

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- Email was sent to members regarding the final hearing beginning on January 14, for the Crowsnest Pass coal mine project
- **Council's Report**
- Discussion around transit accessibility in the community
- Adopted the City of Leduc Housing Strategy 2025-2030
- Library Annual Report was given
- Audit committee is being formed in connection with MNP to conduct city-wide audit of finances
- Nominations are open for the upcoming municipal election in the fall of 2025
- **Administration's Report**
- Christmas Bird Count submissions to the City have been tallied. 12 submissions, 181 birds of 15 unique species. Seek to advertise more in the fall to encourage further participation.
- Environmental Progress Report is underway
- Several ASPs are in progress. LEAB members are encouraged to take the opportunity to give their input

APPROVAL OF REPORTS

3/2025

APPROVAL OF REPORTS

MOTION: It was moved by Wendy to accept the above noted reports for information purposes only.

MOTION CARRIED

PRESENTATION

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- Wendy gave an informative summary of her and James T.'s tour of the Leduc Regional Landfill.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

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Actionable Initiatives

Pollinators and Pesticides

- No updates

Telford Lake Natural Area

- Investigating the possibility of building nesting boxes for ducks

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- Telford meeting with the City, held previously, was to discuss new AEP permitting and disposition requirements for things like boating events and boardwalk maintenance/development around the Telford area.
- RFP for the Natural Asset Inventory will be put out in February. Reach out to Megan with anything you want added.

Light Efficiency Community

- LEAB to prepare presentation to give at Council with regards to creating a Light Efficiency Plan. Once approved by Council and directed to administration, work can begin. LEAB will plan to present to Council in March
- A sub committee will be formed to prepare the presentation for Council (Wendy, Mindy, James K., James T. and Ngaire expressed interest-plan to meet on January 30)

4/2025

MOTION: It was moved by Wendy that LEAB support an initiative to create a Light Efficiency Plan.

MOTION CARRIED

Hens & Bees

- No updates

Topics to Monitor

Watershed and Coal Policy

- No updates – more information will be available and discussed at the next meeting following the hearing.

Tree Protection – Policy/Bylaw

- No updates

Green House Gas Plan/CEIP

- No updates

**Waste Management – Business (ICI) and Multi-Unit (MU)
Waste Diversion**

- First pass of outreach to all apartments in the City was completed before the end of the year. Property managers are appreciative of the GFL partnering promotion.

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Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR)

- No updates

Indigenous Engagement Opportunities

- No updates

**NEW
BUSINESS**

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Citizens of Distinction

- Benjamin McDonald will be the Committee Designate representing LEAB.
- Discussion on possible nominees. Further discuss and select nominees at next meeting. Nominations need to be submitted by March 31, 2025.

**OPEN
DISCUSSION**

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- Naturalized Areas - North of Telford Lake – meets restoration goals and is functioning well!
- “1 Billion Trees” grant – Megan will look into an update on all the trees that were planted and bring information to next meeting. Some trees were lost to an unfortunate mowing mistake.
- Budget – discussed options such as city-wide clean up, sponsoring a grade 4 class field trip to EcoStation or landfill, creating an informational video presentation of landfill/EcoStation to be used by schools, tent top or flag for noticeability of LEAB for events. Conferences were also suggested and included: RCA, AB Care Conference or Eco Canada, Hens and Bees Course “Chickens 101”.
- Caledonia Park - park will be renovated. Would LEAB be able to contribute somehow to give an “environmental” theme?
- Community Garage Sale – discussion on possibility of adding to the yearly LEAB calendar. Finalize dates and events for LEAB calendar at next meeting.
- Grade 1 Seedling Program – is it possible to coordinate this program with Arbour Day or provide a designated area for trees to be planted.

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ADJOURNMENT

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NEXT MEETING

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MOTION: it was moved by Councilor Pollard to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 p.m.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on February 11, 2025, Telford Street Board Room

MOTION CARRIED

Windy Paradis

Chair

Cheri Andres

Recording Secretary